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Christian C. Landry et al.

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For: MULTIPLE ENVIRONMENT  
FOLDABLE COMPUTER

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**DECLARATIONS OF PRIOR INVENTION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131**

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, please consider the enclosed Declarations along with the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement, which discloses a two-page illustration of a "Z-Configuration" design received in correspondence dated May 31, 2001. As declared in the enclosed Declarations, the present invention was conceived, and then later actually reduced to practice at least as early as May 17, 2001, as evidenced by the enclosed May 17, 2001 article titled "New Compaq PCs: Two for One?" Although the Applicants do not believe, or suggest, that the enclosed "Z-Configuration" illustration is prior art, the Applicants respectfully submit the "Z-

Configuration" illustration, the article evidencing prior invention by the Applicants, and the  
Declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 for consideration by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 18, 2001

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tait R. Swanson", is written over a horizontal line.

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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131**

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I, Christian C. Landry, being an Applicant named in the above-referenced patent application, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am an inventor of the present invention and I have been fully involved in the development of an operable product, as set forth in the above-referenced patent application.

2. Correspondence was received by Compaq, Assignee of the above-referenced application, from an outside party, who forwarded the enclosed two page illustration of a "Z-Configuration." The correspondence and enclosed "Z-Configuration" design were dated May 31, 2001.

3. I have reviewed the records made in connection with the conception, development and actual reduction to practice of the invention set forth in the above-referenced patent application ("the present invention").

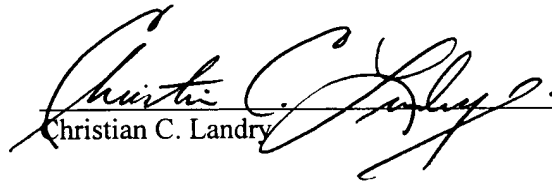
4. I attest that the present invention was conceived, and then later actually reduced to practice at least as early as May 17, 2001, as evidenced by the enclosed May 17, 2001 article titled "New Compaq PCs: Two for One?"

5. I attest that the present invention was conceived and reduced to practice without knowledge of the "Z-Configuration" design.

I declare further that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge, are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Dated: 5 DECEMBER 2001

By:

  
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I, John E. Youens, being an Applicant named in the above-referenced patent application, hereby declare as follows:

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I, Michael J. Scully, being an Applicant named in the above-referenced patent application, hereby declare as follows:

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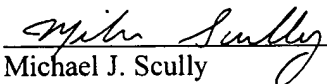
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Dated: 11/27/01

By:   
Michael J. Scully